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SUBJECT : PAK-IRANIAN JOINT COMMUNIQUE

1. SIGNIFICANT POINTS OF PAK-IRANIAN JOINT COMMUNIQUE
SIGNED AT CONCLUSION OF SHAH S MARCH 7-11 VISIT TO PAKISTAN
ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2. BILATERAL RELATIONS: THE SHAH AND PM BHUTTO REAFFIRMED
THAT IRAN AND PAKISTAN SHALL STAND BY EACH OTHER IN ALL
MATTERS BEARING ON THEIR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL
INTEGRITY. PM EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR VALUABLE SUPPORT
GIVEN PAKISTAN BY IRAN. TWO SIDES AFFIRMED DETERMINATION
TO FOSTER GREATER ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND TO CHANNEL
NECESSARY RESOURCES TO ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES OF MUTUAL
INTEREST. SHAH EXTENDED INVITATION TO PAKISTAN
PRESIDENT AND PM TO VISIT IRAN WHICH WAS ACCEPTED.

3. SOUTH ASIA: PM TOLD SHAH OF DEVELOPMENTS IN
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INDO-PAK RELATIONS AND INFORMED HIM OF STEPS TAKEN BY

GOP TO IMPLEMENT PROVISIONS OF SIMLA AGREEMENT. SHAH APPRECIATED THESE EFFORTS. BOTH EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EFFORTS WOULD ACCELERATE PACE OF NORMALIZATION. SHAH WELCOMED ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND BANGLADESH AS SIGNIFICANT STEP TO PEACE AND STABILITY IN SOUTH ASIA. TWO LEADERS HOPED THAT ALL COUNTRIES IN REGION WOULD STRIVE TO CREATE ATMOSPHERE OF AMITY, FRIENDSHIP WITH THEIR NEIGHBORS. IN THIS CONTEXT, PM REITERATED HIS OFFER OF DIALOGUE WITH AFGHANISTAN WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS.

4. MIDDLE EAST: TWO LEADERS EXPRESSED CONVICTION THAT LASTING PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED BY IMPLEMENTATION OF RELEVANT UN RESOLUTIONS AND ISLAMIC SUMMIT S DECLARATION OF LAHORE. THESE REQUIRE COMPLETE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND RESTORATION OF LEGITIMATE AND INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF PAKISTAN PEOPLE. THEY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT STILL STRONGER EFFORTS BE MADE TO ELIMINATE FUNDAMENTAL REASONS FOR MIDEAST CONFLICT.

5. REGIONAL SECURITY: BOTH SIDES RECOGNIZED CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE OF UNHINDERED TRADE ACROSS INTERNATIONAL TRADE ROUTES TO THE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF WORLD. THEY AGREED THAT INDIAN OCEAN SHOULD REMAIN ZONE OF PEACE FREE FROM GREAT POWER INTERFERENCE. THEY ALSO AGREED THAT SECURITY OF PERSIAN GULF WAS EXCLUSIVE CONCERN OF THE LITTORAL STATES. PM BHUTTO EXPRESSED PAKISTAN S DEEP SATISFACTION AT NORMALIZATION OF IRAQI-IRANIAN RELATIONS.

6. NUCLEAR: LEADERS EXPRESSED NEED TO HALT ARMS RACE AND SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THEY EXPRESSED DETERMINATION TO PREVENT PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY, AND TOTAL ELIMINATION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THE PM WELCOMED SHAH S PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE IN MIDDLE EAST. TWO LEADERS EMPHASIZED NEED FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF SOUTH ASIAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE. THEY POINTED OUT THAT ACCESS TO NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY FOR PEACE-
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FUL PURPOSES SHOULD NOT BE RESTRICTED TO PARTICULAR COUNTRIES.

7. MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS: LEADERS NOTED PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING DECISIONS OF JOINT MINISTERIAL COMMISSION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND AGREED TO ENLARGE AREA OF BILATERAL COOPERATION. THEY REAFFIRMED BELIEF IN IMPORTANCE OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION BETWEEN IRAN,

PAKISTAN AND TURKEY WITHIN RCD FRAMEWORK. LEADERS ATTACHED SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO THE DISCUSSIONS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT DECISIONS OF CIEC WOULD LEAD TO ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ECONOMIC WORLD ORDER. PM EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR SHAH S PROPOSAL FOR OPEC FUND FOR EXTENDING AID TO DEVELOPING NATIONS.

8. MULTILATERAL POLITICAL: SHAH AND PM AFFIRMED CONVICTION THAT PEACE AND STABILITY IN WORLD COULD ONLY BE PRESERVED BY STRICT ADHERENCE TO PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF UN CHARTER, NOTABLY IN INADMISSIBILITY OF THREAT OF USE OF FORCE IN CONDUCT OF INTERSTATE RELATIONS, INVIOABILITY OF FRONTIERS AND RESPECT FOR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY.

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